Idaho Nursery & Landscape Assoc. P. O. Box 2065 Idaho Falls, Idaho 83403 2010 Arbor Day Grant Program "PLANTING IDAHO"

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The Idaho Nursery and Landscape Association (INLA), in cooperation with the Idaho Department of Lands (IDL), Avista, Rocky Mountain Power, and Idaho Power, is pleased to announce a program intended to help communities celebrate Arbor Day, plant appropriate trees for energy conservation and foster a stronger relationship between Idaho communities and the Green and Utility Industries. This year, 40 Arbor Day grants in the amount of \$300 will be awarded for "Planting Idaho". Funding for this program is provided by the generous contributions of these Idaho utilities that have a large interest in healthy urban forests and having the **right tree planted in the right place**.

All Idaho communities are eligible to participate in the "Planting Idaho" program. Grant funds can be used for purchasing trees and shrubs and/or related planting and care materials for your community's Arbor Day celebration. A lottery style drawing will be used to determine who receives each of the 40 available grants. Applications must be received by INLA **no later than March 19**th, **2010** to be considered. A list of INLA members will be provided to the grantees so they may purchase quality plant material and receive reliable advice on selection, planting and care; thus ensuring a significant positive impact on Idaho's environment.

This is a **reimbursement** grant. Therefore, grantee communities must submit copies of paid invoices for plant materials, with check numbers, in the amount of at least \$300 to receive full payment of the grant. Additionally, a match of 25% (\$75) in cash or in-kind donation is required by the grantee.

Idaho joins most other states in celebrating Arbor Day on Friday, April 30, 2010. However, trees and planting conditions don't honor calendars – your community may choose to celebrate Arbor Day on a different date.

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